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SO YOU WANT TO BE MAYOR

So, Andrea Horwath, a four-time failed NDP leader and professional politician since 1997, wants to be the mayor of Hamilton. This lackluster and, at times, petty ideologue with dreadful ideas wants to grace the good burghers of Hamilton with her vast years of experience and budget acumen. I think not, and I hope that the people of Hamilton see through the NDP charade. Otherwise, they are in for a bumpy socialist ride that will be profoundly worse than that meted out to Torontonians by a mayor who talks a lot, but says nothing. Good luck to the voters of Hamilton if she gets to spread the socialist joy over there.

Neil Staff Whitby

(We have faith the voters in Hamilton will know better)

WHERE WAS BROOK?

I am appalled that the article on Brook Henderson winning the women's major golf tournament in France was not put on the front page of the Sports section. Instead, there was another article about the Blue Jays and a mediocre photo. She deserved to be on the front page of the entire Toronto Sun. What she achieved was noteworthy worldwide.

Joan Ryan Belwood, Ont.

(What she achieved is incredible, and your criticism of us is fair)

ON THE RIGHT TRACK

You say that the Trudeau government is a climate zealot. You quote the following statement from a federal discussion paper to show, in your words, how unhinged the government has become: "The science is clear that existing efforts are not enough to avoid catastrophic effects and that more needs to be done to address climate change, and on a faster timeline." Well, he is far from unhinged. He is right. Have you not seen the temperatures in the U.K. and Europe that have never been seen before? Have you not noticed the extreme wildfires in the west the past few years? Have you not noticed the Colorado River and Lake Mead waters rapidly disappearing, or the huge chunks of ice in the Arctic breaking off? I agree that some actions taken by government hurts Canadians, but if we don't act, that "hurt" won't matter anymore. Do you even believe in climate change? If you do, what do you propose? If you don't believe in climate change, there's little hope for our future.

Mark Edson North York

(We don't agree with his over taxation of Canadians to tackle climate change)

BETTER VETTING

The chaotic events surrounding the last few weeks of the CPC leadership convention, involving Patrick Brown's obvious violations of leadership campaign rules and quite likely Elections Canada rules as well, have demonstrated the pressing need for more diligent vetting of political candidates, whether for leadership positions or as candidates in a general election. The rules are not made to be broken, and those who break them should face the consequences, and be disqualified. Better still, let's nip the potential rule breakers in the bud, even before they are in a position to inflict damage on our political system.

Duane Sharp Mississauga

(That is something we would get behind. But based on the party system, it's difficult to do

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